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## Community Calendar

***Dumping Days set in Romulus***

Romulus residents can dump waste at no cost this weekend Oct. 10, 11 and 12 at the Romulus DPW. Trash will be accepted from 8:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. today and tomorrow and from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday.

No commercial waste will be accepted and only non-hazardous materials can be disposed of at the event. No herbicides or pesticides, liquid wastes, explosives, lawn mowers, hazardous waste, batteries, flammable liquids, poisons, dirt, anti-freeze, cleaning solvents, sod, paint, oil, concrete or tree stumps will be accepted.

Bulky items and tires are limited to three per household.

Any appliance containing freon must be evacuated and properly labeled as such by a licensed professional.

For more information, call (734) 942-7579. Proof of residency will be required.

***Mayor is serving breakfast***

Romulus Mayor Robert A. McCraight will be serving pancakes this Saturday at the Romulus VFW Post #78 on Huron River Drive.

Breakfast will be served from 9 until 11 a.m. and McCraight will step away from the grill at 10 a.m. to provide updates on the latest city news and announcements followed by time for questions and idea sharing.

The event is free but an RSVP is requested at (734) 942 7571 or at vtoliver@romulusgov.com.

***Annual Holiday Home Tour set***

One of the most popular events in the area will return this year as the Northville Community Foundation presents the Holiday Home Tour.

The event is one of the major fundraisers for the group which operates Maybury Farm and provides scholarships to students and holiday gifts for seniors. Traditionally, six private homes decorated for the holidays, will be available for visitor tours. This year the event is planned for Friday and Saturday, Nov. 22 and 23.

For more information, contact the foundation office at (248) 374-0200 or email diana@mayburyfarm.org

***Veterans' Monument meetings are scheduled in Romulus***

Community meetings regarding the Veterans' Monument in Romulus have been planned for 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 13 and Dec. 11 at the Romulus VFW post 78. The post is located at 39270 West Huron River Dr. in Romulus.

The meeting is for family, friends, veterans or others who have a brick located at the Romulus Veteran's Monument on Wayne Road in the Municipal Complex. Contact the City of Romulus Treasurer's Office as soon as possible at (734) 942-7580.

Those who would like to purchase a brick and memorialize a friend or loved one who served in the military can complete the application online at https://www.romulusgov.com/550/Veterans-Memorial.

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# Canton receives $7 million in state grants

Canton Township celebrated the awarding of nearly $7 million in grant funding to be used for projects in the community.

"I'm thrilled that State Rep. Ranjeev Puri and State Sen. Dayna Polehanki secured funding for these important community projects enhancing pedestrian safety, providing greater activity and programming space for seniors, and protecting abused and neglected children in Canton," said Supervisor Anne Marie Graham Hudak, commenting on the proposed projects.

"The Palmer Road pedestrian bridge will improve a treacherous path over I-275 traversed by hundreds of Canton residents each week. The new Canton Senior Center in the Summit will greatly expand the activity and programming space for seniors. And finally, renovating the Sheldon Brick School to house Kids Talk will serve abused and neglected children in all of Western Wayne County by giving them a safe space to be interviewed and hold perpetrators accountable. This project also returns this historic building to its original mission in Canton – serving children and their families," Graham-Hudak said.

*The Palmer Road pedestrian bridge will improve a treacherous path over I-275 traversed by hundreds of Canton residents each week.*

The pedestrian bridge over I-275 was awarded $3,250,000 in state funding, Graham-Hudak said. Puri secured the funding that will be used to construct the pedestrian bridge on Palmer Road over I-275 for walkers and bikers. Officials said the path along Palmer Road is traversed by many residents attending the Muslim Community of the Western Suburbs (MCWS) of Detroit schools and activities east of the I-275 overpass, trying to make their way to the Medina Activity Center (MAC) on the west side of the overpass. This pedestrian bridge will serve all walkers and bikers alike passing over I-275 at Palmer Road, according to township officials.

Puri also secured $2,500,000 in grant funding to be used to renovate approximately 10,600 square feet of space in the Summit on the Park in order to expand activity space for Club 55+, the Canton senior program, and make additional facility enhancements. Currently, Club 55+ operates in approximately 1,500 square feet. The expanded activity space and facility improvements will give seniors and other members of the community a place to enjoy billiards, shuffleboard, additional exercise classes, card games, cooking classes and expanded services and amenities, township officials said.

"This budget cycle I worked diligently to bring home dollars directly to Canton," said Puri. "I am so proud to have secured $5.75M for Canton Township to improve pedestrian pathways for bikers and walkers, and for Summit renovations. These are huge wins for our community – the funds will be felt directly right here at home and make a meaningful, lasting impact for our residents."

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# A 'maze' ing

## Maybury Farm Corn Maze is now open for fall season

*The annual corn maze at Maybury Farm in Northville is now open.*

*The full 9-acre family friendly maze will take about 60 minutes to complete while the mini-maze, which is approximately 1-acre, takes about 20 minutes to complete. Each year the maze features a new design that includes a scavenger hunt. This year, the farm includes a mini maze for little ones. The popular flashlight corn maze will be open to the brave weekends beginning Oct. 25 and Nov. 1.*

*Visitors will be taken to the maze by a tractor-driven wagon which are scheduled every 30 minutes. Parmenter's cider and donuts will be available for purchase in the Maybury Farm general store. The barns will be open evenings until 7 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays for visits with the animals.*

*Tickets are $15 per person if purchased at the door; $13 per person when purchased early online 48 hours in advance of the date/time reserved and $8 for members with valid identification. Private party rides are available for up to 25 people at $300.*

*Children younger than 2 admitted at no cost with a paid adult but must ride on a lap in the wagon.*

*For more information, call (248) 374-0200 press 2 for more information.*

# State House Bill will return funds to local schools

A state bill that will return nearly $600 million to public schools was signed into law by state officials last week.

House Bill 5803, sponsored by State Rep. Matt Koleszar (D-Plymouth) permanently lowers the Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System fund contribution rate, freeing up millions for Northville, Plymouth-Canton and Livonia schools to put dollars back into classrooms and teacher's salaries.

Koleszar said he was proud to see his bill that puts his community's local students and teachers first be signed into law by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer.

"When teachers are in charge, we get things done. I know from conversations with the students and educators in this district that years of overpayment into the retirement fund has taken a real toll on our school's resources. This is fiscally responsible legislation that empowers our schools to put their funding towards what matters most — students," said Koleszar, chair of the House Education Committee.

"Northville, Plymouth-Canton and Livonia schools are full of bright minds and dedicated educators. As a teacher-turned-legislator, I am beyond happy to get this legislation across the finish line to equip our schools with the funds they need for our students to succeed."

"I also want to extend my gratitude to my fellow Democratic legislators and Gov. Whitmer for their commitment to putting kids and teachers at the forefront of the work we do here in Michigan."

Local superintendents and teachers in Koleszar's district celebrated the direct investments into local classrooms that the new law brings, ensuring their schools have a new, stable source of funding to uplift students.

"This is a big win for teachers across Michigan," said Plymouth-Canton Community Schools teacher JJ Lockwood. "The permanent removal of the 3 percent teacher tax will have a real impact on my paycheck and those of my colleagues. This is why it's nice having teachers like Matt Koleszar in Lansing to advocate for common sense changes that improve the lives of those in the classroom."

# Re-Accredited

*The Romulus Police Department has earned reaccreditation through the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MLEAC) accreditation program. The Romulus Police Department was one of the first 10 agencies in the state to initially win accreditation in October of 2021. While voluntary, reaccreditation is required every 3 years, officials said. Earning certification is a year-long process in which the department must adopt and prove that they have implemented, and are following, the best practices of the profession. It demonstrates a commitment to developing, having, and maintaining a highly professional police department, police officials said. To be re-accredited, the Romulus department was required to prove the standards were followed during the past 3 years. Of the 577 law enforcement agencies in Michigan, only 88 are currently accredited.*

# Antisemitic flyers distributed in both Canton and Northville

Police in both Northville and Canton townships are investigating the distribution of antisemitic literature left in driveways of several area homes.

The materials in Northville were in plastic sandwich bags also containing corn kernels. The bags were left in the driveways of multiple homes in the Ridge Hill and Grande Vista subdivisions, according to police reports. While Northville police responded to the incident Oct. 6, Canton police received a complaint Tuesday morning notifying them of the literature.

The bags contained flyers clearly demonstrating hostility toward or discrimination against Jewish people.

"The Northville Township Police Department is committed to identifying those responsible for these actions," the statement read. "Any residents with information related to this incident are encouraged to contact the department non-emergency line at (248) 349-9400."

Affected residents in Canton are also being asked to check their home surveillance camera systems and notify the police department if they have any video of the flyers being distributed.

"We assure the community that our department takes the distribution of these flyers seriously, and we have launched an investigation to identify those responsible," said Police Chief Chad Baugh.

Canton Township Supervisor Anne Marie Graham-Hudak also commented on the incident.

"Hate speech will not be tolerated in this community. Canton residents deserve to feel safe and respected in their homes and neighborhoods. We are taking these actions very seriously and I have full confidence that our Police Department will be diligently working with other departments in the area to make sure this does not continue or escalate."

# Grants

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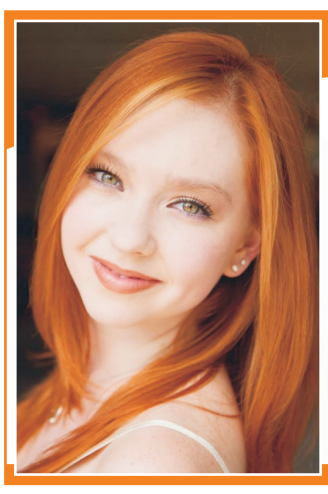
State Sen. Dayna Polehanki secured $1 million in grant money that will be used to establish a Kids-TALK Children's Advocacy Center at Sheldon School on Michigan Avenue in Canton. This center will focus on the safety, social and emotional health, and stability of children and families throughout the region, officials announced. The location of the building is convenient for children and families living in all of western Wayne County and is also close to the new township Youth Center, where Growth Works, Inc. will be located in the future, they added.

"KIDS-Talk is an invaluable resource for children and families in our region who have been impacted by abuse, and I'm proud to have secured $1 million in this year's state budget to help facilitate the establishment of a new Kids-TALK Children's Advocacy Center in Canton that will help their organization better serve those in need," said Polehanki (D-Livonia). "I'm confident this transformative investment will make a tangible difference for our local residents, and I'll continue fighting hard to deliver progress for the health, safety, and stability of families in our community," she added.

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| Year | Make | VIN/HIN/Serial Number | Model & Body Style |
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| 2006 | LINCOLN | 1LNFM87A26Y633634 | 4D |
| 2011 | CHEVROLET | 2G1WG5EKXB1289367 | 4D |
| 1998 | MERCEDES BENZ | WDBGA51G7WA383652 | |
| 1980 | CHEVROLET | 1Z37KAD400584 | |
| 2010 | FORD | 1FMCU0DG7AKB62203 | SW |
| 2014 | KIA | 5XYKW4A7XEG492158 | SW |
| 2015 | KIA | KNALU4D40F6026820 | 4D |
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| 2002 | CHEVROLET | 1G1ND52J82M604929 | 4D |

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, October 24, 2024, for the following:

**EXTERIOR WINDOWS REPLACEMENT AT FIRE STATION 1 WITH RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTING**

Proposals may be downloaded on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/cantontownship or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: mike.sheppard@canton-mi.org. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

**MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK**

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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
## INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, October 24, 2024, for the following:

**UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SUPPLY (UPS) BATTERIES REPLACEMENT**

Bids may be downloaded on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/cantontownship or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: mike.sheppard@canton-mi.org. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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**Township of Sumpter**
**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township of Sumpter, 23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI, will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to **2:00 p.m. Friday, October 18, 2024**, for the following:

**FIRE & SECURITY ALARMS SYSTEMS, INSTALLATION & MONITORING**

Proposals may be downloaded on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/townshipofsumpter; proposal packets can be found at the Clerk's Office and the Township website at https://sumptertwp.org/bid-opportunities/. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address, and telephone number. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or disability in employment or the provisions of services.

Esther Hurst, Clerk
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**NOTICE OF ELECTION**
**SUMPTER TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN**
**NOVEMBER 5TH , 2024, GENERAL ELECTION**

**TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SUMPTER TOWNSHIP**:
Notice is hereby given that the General Election will be held in Sumpter Township on Tuesday, November 5th, 2024. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS**:
Precinct 1 & 2 Sumpter Community Center, 23501 Sumpter Rd.
Precinct 3 & 4 Fire Station #1, 20550 Sumpter Rd.

**EARLY VOTING SITE LOCATION:**
Precinct 1, 2, 3, & 4 – TWP Hall 23480 Sumpter Rd.
October 26 & 27, 2024, from 7 am – 3 pm
October 28-November 1, 2024, from 8:30-4:30
November 2 & 3, 2024, from 7 am – 3 pm

For the purposes of electing a candidate to the following office(s):

President/Vice President, US Senator, Representative in Congress 6th District, Representative in State Legislature 31st District, Member of the State Board of Education, Regent of the University of Michigan, Trustee of Michigan State University, Governor of Wayne State University, County Prosecuting Attorney, County Sherriff, County Clerk, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, County Commissioner 11th District, Township Supervisor, Township Clerk, Township Treasurer, Township Trustee, Justice of Supreme Court 8 Year Term, Justice of Supreme Court Partial Term Ending 01/01/2029, Judge of Court of Appeals 1st District, Judge of Circuit Court 3rd Circuit Incumbent, Judge of Circuit Court 3rd Circuit Non-Incumbent 6 Year Term, Judge of Circuit Court 3rd Circuit Incumbent-Partial Partial Term Ending 01/01/2027, Judge of Probate Court Incumbent 6 Year Term, Judge of Probate Court Non-Incumbent 6 Year Term, Judge of District Court 34th District, Board Member Airport Community Schools, Board Member of Huron School District, Board Member Lincoln Consolidated Schools, Board Member Van Buren Public Schools and Board Member Belleville Area District Library.

AIRPORT COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOND PROPOSAL Shall Airport Community Schools, Monroe and Wayne Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Thirty-Two Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars ($32,800,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of: remodeling, furnishing, and refurnishing, and equipping and reequipping the middle school building, remodeling the high school building; acquiring, installing, equipping, and re-equipping the middle school building for instructional technology; preparing, developing, and improving the site; and erecting, furnishing, and equipping a new student activity center and additions at the middle school building? The following is for informational purposes only: The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2025 is .91 mill ($0.91 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for a .77 mill net increase over the prior year's levy. The maximum number of years the bonds of any series may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is twenty-five (25) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 1.75 mills ($1.75 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation). The school district does not expect to borrow from the State to pay debt service on the bonds. The total amount of qualified bonds currently outstanding is $20,870,000. The total amount of qualified loans currently outstanding is $0. The estimated computed millage rate may change based on changes in certain circumstances. (Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

LINCOLN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT SINKING FUND MILLAGE PROPOSAL Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Lincoln Consolidated School District, Washtenaw and Wayne Counties, Michigan, be increased by and the board of education be authorized to levy not to exceed 2 mills ($2.00 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2025 to 2034, inclusive, to create a sinking fund for the purchase of real estate for sites for, and the construction or repair of, school buildings; for school security improvements; for the acquisition or upgrading of technology; for the acquisition of student transportation vehicles; for the acquisition of parts, supplies, and equipment used for the maintenance of student transportation vehicles; for the acquisition of eligible trucks and vans used to carry parts, equipment, and personnel for or in the maintenance of school buildings; for the acquisition of parts, supplies, and equipment used to maintain such trucks and vans; and all other purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2025 is approximately $2,616,487?

WASHTENAW INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL EDUCATION MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL This proposal will permit the intermediate school district to continue to levy special education millage previously approved by the electors. Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 2.3826 mills ($2.3826 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Washtenaw Intermediate School District, Michigan, to provide funds for the education of students with a disability, be renewed for a period of 12 years, 2026 to 2037, inclusive; the estimate of the revenue the intermediate school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2026 is approximately $56,900,000 from local property taxes authorized herein (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2025 tax levy)?

WAYNE COUNTY REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY RENEWAL OF REGIONAL ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE PROPOSAL Pursuant to state law, the revenue raised by the proposed renewal of the enhancement millage will be collected by the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency ("Wayne RESA") and distributed on an equal per-pupil basis to local constituent school districts including eligible public school academies within the boundaries of Wayne RESA. None of the enhancement millage revenue will be distributed to Wayne RESA, and all funds shall be independently audited by the local constituent school districts and eligible public school academies as part of their annual school audits. As a renewal of authority which expires with the 2027 levy, shall the limitation on the amount of ad valorem taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency, Michigan, be increased by 1.9812 mills ($1.98 per thousand dollars of taxable value) for a period of six (6) years, 2028 to 2033, inclusive, to provide operating funds to enhance other state and local funding for local school district operating purposes? It is estimated that 1.9812 mills would raise approximately $108 million when first levied in 2028. The revenue from this enhancement millage will be distributed on an equal per pupil basis to the following listed constituent school districts and the public school academies within the boundaries of Wayne RESA which are eligible to receive enhancement millage under the Revised School Code: Allen Park Public Schools Crestwood School District School District of the City of Dearborn Dearborn Heights School District No. 7 Detroit Public Schools Community District Ecorse Public School District Flat Rock Community Schools Garden City Public Schools Gibraltar School District Grosse Ile Township Schools Grosse Pointe Public School System School District of the City of Hamtramck School District of the City of Harper Woods Huron School District School District of the City of Lincoln Park Livonia Public Schools School District Melvindale – Northern Allen Park School District Northville Public Schools Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Redford Union Schools, District No. 1 School District of the City of River Rouge Riverview Community School District Romulus Community Schools Southgate Community School District South Redford School District Taylor School District Trenton Public Schools Van Buren Public Schools Wayne-Westland Community School District Westwood Community School District Woodhaven-Brownstown School District School District of the City of Wyandotte

Absentee ballots are available for all elections; registered voters may contact the local clerk to obtain an application for an absent voter ballot.

To comply with the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), voting instructions will be available in audio format and in Braille. Arrangements for obtaining the instructions in these alternative formats can be made by contacting the township clerk in advance of the election. All polling locations are accessible for voters with disabilities.

**Sumpter Township**
**Notice of Public Accuracy Test of Voting Equipment**

To the qualified electors of the Sumpter Township, Wayne County, State of Michigan: Notice is hereby given that a Public Accuracy Test for the electronic equipment that will be used in Early Voting 1, Precinct 2 and AV908 for the General Election is scheduled for Wednesday, October 16, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. in the Sumpter Township Community Gymnasium, located at 23501 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI 48111. The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate that the computer programming used to tabulate the votes cast at the election meets the requirements of Michigan election law.

Esther Hurst
Sumpter Township Clerk

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